

THE CITY ELECTION.

A Chance to Save the City the Expense of a New Board of Trustees.

The present Board of City Trustees have given the city of Carson excellent service without salaries and without graft. For some years past there has been no city election, which has saved the city between four or five hundred dollars. The city trustees who are now serving are now willing to give up their offices without any election if there are any who desire to take their places. They have found the job of being City Aldermen thankless and profitless and are willing to resign from time to time in favor of other men.

Their idea is to save the city the money which an election would cost and spend it on city improvements.

The Appeal thinks the idea highly commendable except the proposition of resigning. We now have a very good business board of Trustees and the citizens will not listen to their resigning. The Board is all right as it is and there are no others in the city who desire the places so well filled by the present board.

Things are going along to the satisfaction of the taxpayers and it is a good idea to let it go at that.

RAILROAD FOR FALLON

Southern Pacific to Extend Its Line to the New District

Actual work on the construction of the long needed railroad between Hazen and Fallon in Churchill county will start within the next ninety days and if the men in charge of the construction work for the Southern Pacific railroad can rush matters any, the line will be in operation in sixty days after the first shovelful of earth is turned. This news comes from an employee of the Southern Pacific and was publically made at Hazen yesterday.

It is known that the right of way for the line has already been secured. W. W. Williams of Fallon, who owns considerable of the land between Hazen and Fallon, has been in San Francisco at this week in consultation with railroad officials. Several weeks ago he decided the right of way to one of the company's officials. It was then believed that work on the line would start soon, but the Hazen cut-off required considerable attention from the construction department and the finishing touches on the shops and railway yards at Sparks kept the Nevada force of engineers in the employ of the Southern Pacific so engaged that no time could be devoted to the branch line. Now this work is practically completed and no time is to be lost in laying the eighteen miles of steel to connect the Churchill county seat with the outside world. The surveys were made some time ago. Only a few small bridges will be necessary and the grading will consist of ploughing up the loose soil and preparing a foundation for the rails. It is not the intention of the company to have the line end at Fallon, but Fairfield and Fairview are the goals.

A Suggestion.

Editor Appeal:—The Governor has recently issued an Arbor Day Proclamation. The new school house stands alone on its treeless block.

Would it not be a good idea for the Trustees to procure the trees and let the high school students surround that beautiful building with them on Arbor Day? No more fitting observance of the day would be possible.

Elms have been suggested. While of slow growth the American elm is one of the most graceful and beautiful trees and has no bad qualities. If the Trustees have no money, or authority, to buy the trees, perhaps it could be done by popular subscription. Let us hear from those interested in public improvement.

A Citizen.

The Southern Pacific is equipping its fast mail trains with new locomotives which are much larger than any heretofore used on the road. There are coal burners with an enlarged tank with a capacity of nine thousand gallons thus enabling the engines to run from Sparks to Carlin with only one stop for the purpose of taking water.

The Reno society for the prevention of cruelty to animals will endeavor to have a bill passed at the next session of the legislature to prevent live bird shooting matches.

A machine has been installed at Chico, Cal., which is capable of hermetically sealing and capping 40,000 cans of fruit in an hour.

CONSISTENCY

A Correspondent Asks Some Pointed Questions

Editor Appeal:—Will you kindly permit me to make public a few thoughts which are being discussed privately in many circles in this city by some of the sojourners therein? It has been noticed that the local writer of the News, for the past few months, has taken much time and space of that valuable sheet in trying to stir up the people of Carson to a sense of their duty regarding town improvement. In fact his strenuousness resulted in the organization of an "Improvement Club" which met and appointed committees. This was all very well. No particular way to improve seems to have occurred to the strenuous improver, or the Club, save some impractical ideas.

All agree that Carson is the ideal residence town of the State and desire to see her retain her reputation for beauty, by enactment and enforcement of rigid ordinances. With in the past few weeks Carson has been given a chance for a decided improvement in her appearance, by the donation to her of a work of Art which any city of the United States should be proud to possess. This offer of a gift has been met with the most singular reception: Whether the writer of the News never heard that works of Art are desirable and much prized by Emperors, States, Cities and Towns; whether the young man has never been out of Nevada, which does not possess a fine piece of sculpture; whether he has no natural or cultivated appreciation of the higher arts; or whether he thinks he is funny in his sneering and witless squibs concerning the statue to be erected to one of Nevada's noblest men, is the question which is some thing of a puzzle. But the fact that the first opportunity for an improvement to the appearance of this small City meets with such a reception at the hands of the high-spirited improver causes amazement at his inconsistency.

If the real benefit of the town is his object why isn't this unlocked for assistance in that direction hailed as a good beginning toward the desired end?

The writer can call to mind no instance of a town receiving a gift of statutory suggestion or criticism of the subject chosen by the donor. That this statue will be placed in some town in Nevada is an assured fact. If Carson city fails to secure to herself this valuable acquisition she will deserve to be called stupid and worse than sleepy.

OBSERVER.

Mrs. H. E. Huntington, wife of the railroad magnate, was granted a divorce in San Francisco Friday on the ground of desertion. The proceedings occupied only seven minutes of Judge Graham's time.

GETS FIVE YEARS

Mail Pouch Robber Receives a Light Sentence

Yesterday Judge Hawley sentenced George Mitchell to five years in the Nevada penitentiary for robbing the United States mail pouch at a point near Hazen. Mitchell plead guilty to the charge and this in a measure gained for him the light sentence that the Judge imposed, as it was in the power of the court to sentence the man to 65 years on the thirteen counts that he was indicted for.

He was taken to the penitentiary yesterday to start his work for freedom.

A number of prisoners were arraigned and all but four plead guilty and will receive their sentence Monday. The others will be defended by Albert Roberts, Poudjate, Woodburn and Judge.

THE BELL IN PLACE

The New School Building Decorated With a Noisy Sign

Yesterday the bell from the Central school house was taken from the bell and transferred to the new school building, where it was given a tryout, and it sounds just as natural as ever. Henry Heidenreich superintended the work and it is evidently satisfactory from every point of view.

It is proposed to move into the new house just as soon as possible as the pulling of the property has hurried up affairs. During the Spring vacation the desks in the old school will be temporarily moved to the new house and the old building turned over to the owners. The new desks are not expected here inside of six weeks and to wait for them would cause unreasonable delay to all concerned.

The work of placing the grounds in condition is going along and in another ten days this will be finished. When this is done bids for concrete walks will be asked, which will make a fine finish to the handsome school house in this State.

Beaucaire

In this era of diversified stage amusements with a preponderance of the lighter order of entertainment the ending of so celebrated an actor as Creston Clarke in so beautiful a production as Beaucaire is like an oasis in the desert. It means a pure and intellectual treat in the form of romantic comedy and drama. A production of Booth Tarkington's clever book has made a remarkably interesting play, the whole scheme of the beautiful story, permeated with incidents and refined humor has been adhered to. Creston Clarke in Beaucaire will be at the Carson opera house on next Thursday evening.

The Anaconda company at Silver Mountain is producing 60,000 tons of copper ore annually and paying thirty per cent interest on its capitalization.

TO HANG IN JUNE

Murderous Indians Brought to the State Penitentiary

Yesterday morning's delayed train brought in a number of federal and state prisoners. Among those handcuffed were Indian Johnny and Iapah the two Indians convicted of the murder of the cripple at Montello on the night of December 27, 1905. Sheriff Clark and his deputy, Weathers, brought the men in and handed them over to Warden Considine, who placed them in the condemned cell, where they will watch the days pass until they must face the death trap as Judge Brown has sentenced them to be hanged on June 15th of this year.

One of them is an exceedingly big man, while the other is of ordinary size. They were both drinking when the crime was committed, but the atrocity of the murder elicits little compassion at the hand of any who have read the details of the crime.

They found a crippled tramp at Montello and when he refused to purchase more whisky for them they threw him on his back and slashed his throat from ear to ear. He made a hard fight but the two powerful men held him down and slashed the life out of the man. They then attempted to cover up the crime by burning the body. They succeeded in completely destroying his identity and the crime is known as that of the murdered cripple.

Judge Brown, in pronouncing sentence upon the two men, made the following statement:

"That these defendants are guilty of murder of the first degree no one who listened to the evidence can entertain a reasonable doubt. The jurors in rendering the verdict did only their full duty. Convinced as they must have been from the testimony that the defendants had committed a willful, deliberate, premeditated murder they must have been false to themselves if they said that they returned a verdict other than one found by them."

Although recognizing that in the moral guilt of this crime, the vendors of the liquor have some part, yet we cannot mitigate the penalty of the actual murderers. Because of their heinous sinners we may feel deep pity for them. The understanding of the higher moral and spiritual laws may have been denied them. Yet that has implanted in every human breast, even in that of the unforgotten, a knowledge of the law "Thou shalt do no murder." These defendants knew the wickedness of these acts, they also knew that for such an offense men are sometimes punished by death. The want of higher knowledge cannot avail them as an excuse. They knew that what they did was wrong, and that their crime was punishable by the law. And so, out of malice toward them, or merely to avenge the death, and that the effect of their dreadful example may make others afraid to offend, they must suffer the penalty of the violated human law.

Let no one say they are epidemic of just because they are Indians. The deed of so heinous a murder, whatever his race or color, should meet with condemnation. Had the situation been reversed: had two white men murdered an Indian as he slept by his campfire, as the unknown man was murdered, and had their guilt been as clearly shown as the guilt of these defendants, I do not believe that an Elko county jury would have failed to return against such white men the same verdict as was brought against the prisoners at the bar."

It is understood that the defendants' attorneys will take the case to the Supreme Court in the hope of securing a new trial.

Doing Good Work

The County Commissioners and the City Dads have a road machine in commission and are doing a great deal of good. Streets that have had no attention in years are being plowed and scraped, which takes out the bumps and lumps and makes a great improvement in all directions. With a little more attention given to the crossings where the new work is going on there will be no cause for complaint.

Called East

Chas. Brannon was called to his home in Arkansas Wednesday evening, as he received a dispatch announcing the death of his father. He will return to this city just as soon as possible.

The Jefferson mine in a canyon by that name in Lander county, has been sold for \$50,000. The mine has \$1,000,000 of silver product record.

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